

REMARKS

Claims 1, 20 - 22, and 25 are amended. Thus, claims 1-26 remain pending in the application. The Examiner rejected claims 1-26 in the above mentioned Office Action.

I. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112, First Paragraph

Claims 1-26 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention. The Examiner pointed out that the current independent Claims 1, 20 - 22, and 25 include the term "coplanar" which is neither shown in the drawings or used in the detailed specification. Applicants, therefore, amended all independent claims 1, 20 - 22, and 25 to now include the proper term "in parallel" to properly define the interrelationship of the two surfaces.

Applicants agree with the Examiner and respectfully submit that this term has been inadvertently used in the claims. As the Examiner further pointed out in the above mentioned office action, the drawings and the detailed specification referring to the drawings clearly disclose that the first planar surface and the second planar surface are arranged in parallel and are not coplanar. Figures 1 and 2 of the specification undoubtedly disclose this interrelationship between the two surface planes. Someone skilled in the art would, therefore, not interpret the present specification in any other way. Furthermore, Applicant amended the respective paragraphs of the specification which restate the independent claims. Again, only the paragraphs which generally

restate the independent claims include the wording "coplanar." The detailed description proper as well as the drawings do not use this wording. Therefore, it is obvious that the term "coplanar" was used inadvertently only in the claims. No new matter has been added.

II. Prior Art pertinent to Applicant's disclosure

None of the cited prior art discloses an antenna as claimed in any of the independent claims. All amendments are made in a good faith effort to advance the prosecution on the merits.

Applicant respectfully requests that the amendments submitted herein be entered, and further requests reconsideration in light of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

SUMMARY

In light of the above remarks, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection is respectfully requested. It is further submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance and early notice of the same is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions, comments or suggestions in furtherance of the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the agent of record by telephone or facsimile.

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